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- 17. (Unclassified RC) LIAISON In response to a call from Charles Snodgrass, on the staff of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, I advised him that there was not a prepared statement or transcript readily available of the Director's press conference this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. When a transcript becomes available, I will get a copy to Snodgrass as soon as possible. He was very much concerned that the issue involved was not a confrontation between the Agency and Congress and hoped that it was simply a problem between the Agency and the House Select Committee. I said that was correct. The Agency has had a long history of good relations on this score with the Congress. He said he was having a similar problem with the House Select Committee with documents that they have asked for and wanted to know how we dealt with these kinds of problems.
- 18. (Unclassified RC) LEGISLATION Attended the Legislative Interdepartmental Group (LIG) meeting in the Roosevelt Room at the White House on the 200-Mile Fishing Legislation. Action required was a telephone call to Les Janka, NSC, on 17 September 1975 as to what the Agency could contribute to the opposing of this legislation. (See Memo for the Record)
- 19. (Internal Use Only PLC) LIAISON Met with Jim Davidson, Counsel, Senate Government Operations Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, in response to his earlier request to stop by and chat concerning matters before his Subcommittee affecting the Agency. Davidson informed me that they will begin hearings on 3 October on S. 2170, the Congressional Right to Information bill, and on the broad subject of the right of the Congress to have the right to executive information which is necessary for it to carry out its business. He had heard of our problems with the House Select Committee on Intelligence and thought that he might welcome the opportunity to have his position aired. He said that the Subcommittee has been very much concerned by the lack of proper leadership in the House's handling of the Agency's investigation. He said there was a strong feeling at this point not to recommend the establishment of a joint committee on intelligence but rather to establish committees in each House since the Senate would not want to become involved in the problems which have risen in the House. I told him I would check concerning the DABBroved Formelease 2603/14/24t. CIARDP77M00144R000600150015-7